

LPD Quarterly Newsletter

July 1st—September 30th 2021



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Mission Statement

The mission of the Lowell Police Department is to continue building and maintaining strong partnerships with the diverse communities of the city of Lowell. We strive to work with our community to reduce the incidence and fear of crime, and to ensure public safety. We will do this while working to improve the quality of life for the citizens of Lowell.

The Lowell Police Department is committed to the ideals of Community Policing. Those ideals are evident in programs such as the Citizens Police Academy, the Summer Student Police Academy, and the Citizen Advisory Committee. The Department's core values are integrity, respect, accountability, community, sanctity of life, and knowledge. Patrols are assigned by geographic sector, encouraging officers to become intimately associated with neighborhoods and their residents, better enabling them to fight and prevent crime.

Highlights

- ♦ The LPD started its Police Activities League (PAL) program.
- ♦ National Night Out was held on Tuesday, August 3rd.
- ♦ Students in grades 5-8 participated in the Summer Student Police Academy.
- ♦ The department hosted its first annual Youth Outreach Event.

Crime Statistics for July 1st—September 30th, 2021*

Crime	2020	2021	% Change
Aggravated Assault	59	60	2%
Aggravated Assault - Domestic	36	36	0%
Burglary	47	70	49%
Car Break-ins	86	101	17%
Disorderly	30	28	-7%
Robbery	21	23	10%
Shoplifting	21	48	129%
Vandalism	175	167	-5%
Total	475	533	12%

Firearms	2021
Recovered	41
Surrendered	19
Total	60

The LPD took 60 firearms off the streets between January 1, 2021 and September 30, 2021.

* Statistics are subject to change due to ongoing investigations.

Police Activities League

Ironstone Farm

The Lowell Police Department partnered with Ironstone Farm to provide a unique summer program focusing on horsemanship and building relationships that support health and healing. Youth had the opportunity to tour the farm in Andover, participate in drill team activities, watch demonstrations, and ride horses. This program was funded by the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security (EOPSS) Senator Charles E. Shannon Jr., Community Safety Initiative. The department hopes to provide this opportunity again during the summer of 2022.



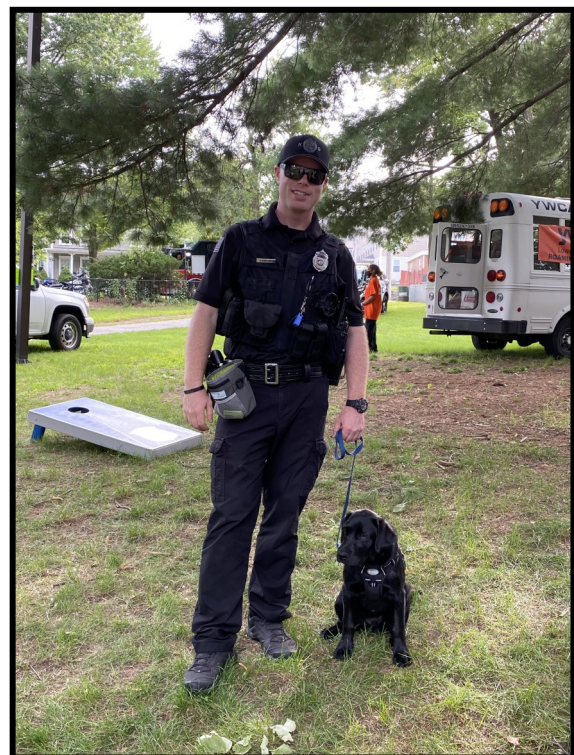
LPD Boxing Program

The LPD kicked off its boxing program on August 17th. The Department was very excited to see so many youth interested in joining the program! During the first few weeks, youth completed strength and conditioning exercises. Afterwards, youth began to learn the basics of boxing and performed drills with LPD officers. This program will continue into Q4 2021. The LPD boxing program is funded by the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security (EOPSS) Senator Charles E. Shannon Jr., Community Safety Initiative.



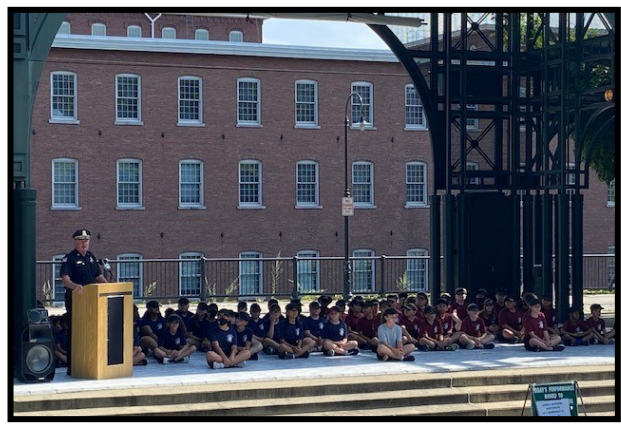
National Night Out

National Night Out is an annual Crime Prevention and Safety event that celebrates community partnerships. On Tuesday, August 3rd, the Lowell Police Department joined several community partners and neighborhood groups at the Morey School and North Common Amphitheater. Youth and families were able to visit informational tables, play games, dunk police officers as well as other community partners into a dunk tank, and win prizes. Officer P. Robbins and K9 Mack were also present at both sites. The LPD would like to thank all residents who participated in the event.



LPD Summer Student Police Academy

The LPD hosted its annual Summer Student Police Academy for students in grades 5 through 8. The academy ran from June 28th—July 16th for students in 7th and 8th grade and July 26th—August 13th for students in 5th and 6th grade. Throughout the three week program, students learned about law enforcement, participated in drills, and received CPR certification. Additionally, participants went on a field trip to Jay Gee's located in Methuen. The 2021 Summer Student Police Academy also included a summer school learning component. Graduation ceremonies were held for each graduating class.



Youth Outreach Event

The LPD hosted its first annual Youth Outreach Event on September 29th. Youth met police officers, explored law enforcement vehicles, and played games. Four lucky people also won a raffle prize! The LPD would like to thank the Massachusetts State Police, Middlesex Sheriff's Office, UML Police, NEMLEC, and the Lowell National Historic Park Law Enforcement Rangers for participating in the event. The department would also like to thank EOPSS, DCU, the Lowell Police Superior Officers Association, the Lowell Police Association, and Coca-Cola Beverages Northeast for their contributions to the event.

